

I am so disgusted, confused and just plain mixed up here. Morse code is a mode of communications that deserves its respect for the many years of reliable communication it gave to our military and civilian communication communities. Respect is one thing retarding the entire amateur radio community for a few people in key places insisting on holding on to the past and no go forward with the future is disgusting. The FCC claims to want to remove the Morse code requirement to promote the radio art and advancements in it, yet you sit here taking what can only be classified as, “taking you sweet _ _ _ time to make a decision.” Please explain how a public government office in charge of our country’s communications has held up the progress of the amateur radio community with this antiquated mode of transmission as a requirement? I see more sense in making PSK-31 exam requirements or Echo Link exam requirements both more current modes of communications and I have used them both. I am not even a member of the ARRL because the people in charge are the same key people advocating to keep the Morse code requirement for at least one of the exams. The ARRL to me at this time is a joke for even suggesting keeping the code requirement and is either doing so for personal reasons or as a favor to few without taking into consideration the amateur radio community as a whole. They have not thought that with the removal of such requirements will most likely push the numbers of the amateur radio community higher. I know that the argument is that this is why they created the no code technician but if I knew I was going to be stuck in a rut with no HF except on those rare occasions like field day. I would have saved my money and never taken the exam. Nobody likes to join anything with no advancement options. So stop moving like molasses and get this code requirement removed ASAP.

REMOVE THE MORSE CODE...

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